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1. *New England Town Records.*

[The following list of printed volumes of New England town records is printed because of its interest to the student of the history of local institutions, and in the hope of encouraging still other communities in New England and elsewhere to engage in the useful and important work of preserving their historical records. It cannot be hoped that the list is absolutely complete. The list for Massachusetts, however, which has been supplied by the kindness of Robert T. Swan, Esq., Public Record Commissioner, is probably perfect. It is not known to the compiler that any towns in Maine or Vermont have published their records, or have begun their systematic publication; but it is understood that the city of Saco intends to take this step, and that its first volume will soon appear. Of extracts published in town histories, etc., the following list makes no account.]

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2. The Burton Historical Collection.

[The following account of a library which, though of private ownership, is freely made accessible to students, has been kindly prepared by Mr. William D. Johnston of the University of Michigan.]

The Burton Historical Collection is located in a fire-proof building erected for that purpose by Mr. C. M. Burton, in the city of Detroit. It was commenced by Mr. Burton in 1871, and has been carried on with the assistance of copyists, one of whom is now engaged at Columbus, Ohio; others at West Point, at Washington, and at Montreal; and others at the churches of St. Anne, Detroit, and l'Assumption, Sandwich, Ontario. Copyists are also employed at Paris and at London under the supervision

of Mr. B. F. Stevens. The purpose of the collector has been to secure the materials for the histories (1) of Detroit, (2) of the Northwest, (3) of North America, and (4) of England as they relate to the history of Detroit and the Northwest. There is contained in the collection at present the following:—

I. Detroit History. 1. Public documents: notaries' records, 1689–1710; city charters, annual reports, common council proceedings, and miscellaneous municipal publications.

2. Church records: St. Anne, 1703–1895 (manuscript); l'Assumption, 1756–1895 (manuscript); church reports.

3. Newspapers: *Detroit Gazette*, 1816–1830 (type-written copy); *Courier*, 1831; *Free Press*, 1831–1896; *Journal*, from 1831 to date, under various titles.

4. Family papers and correspondence: Cadillac Papers, copied from the Paris archives (manuscript); correspondence of Alexander Henry, Alexander Grant, John Askin, James McGill, Isaac Todd, 1760–1816; of General John R. Williams, first mayor of Detroit, 63 volumes, 1800–1854; James A. VanDyke and Halmer H. Emmons, 1830–1870; Ferdinand C. Rivard, 1747–1840; Charles B. Chauvin, 1800–1875; Denis and Theodore Campau, 1840–1880; Joseph Vissier, dit Laferté, 1750–1780; James Abbot, first postmaster, 1780–1840; letters by Robert Rogers, 1755–1764; Joseph Brant, and the Moravian preachers, Heckewelder, Zeisberger, Senseman, and others, including Indian deeds conveying the northwestern portion of Ohio and the southeastern portion of Michigan.

5. Miscellaneous matter: annual reports of local societies, Masonic, etc., photographs of prominent citizens, and broadsides.

II. Northwestern History. 1. Public documents: laws of the Northwest Territory, Michigan state laws, Michigan House and Senate journals and joint documents, and the Cass Code.

2. Travels: Mackenzie, 1789–1793; Potherie, 1534–1723; La Hontan, 1683–1694; Carver, 1784; Honiton, 1685; Henry, 1760–1776; Collot, 1795; Champlain, 1615; Frontenac, 1696; Kalm, 1748; Schoolcraft, 1820; *Jesuit Relations*, 1632–1672; *Discovery of Canada*, 1534–1542; *Mémoire sur le Canada*, 1749–1750; Abbé Faillon's *Canada*.

3. Newspapers: (fugitive), *Western Herald*, 1838; *Constitutionalist*, 1837; *Piqua Gazette*, Ohio, 1825; *Crisis*, 1849, etc.

4. Historical Societies: various complete sets.

5. Magazines: various complete sets.

6. Maps and atlases, 1680 to date.

III. North American History. 1. Travels, various.

2. Diaries: various, printed; Commissary Willson's orderly book, 1759, (manuscript); General Anthony Wayne's orderly book, seven vols. (manuscript).

3. Publications of historical societies, election sermons, newspapers, magazines, and other Americana, including several rare editions of *McFingal*.

IV. **English History.** This embraces (1) miscellaneous matter illustrative of relations with America, (2) a valuable collection of English histories, including some rare editions, and (3) several collections of tracts relative to the *Eikon Basilike*, the Sacheverell trial, and the Junius letters.

The library numbers about 8000 volumes and 8000 pamphlets, together with unclassified letters and documents of local interest and value, unprinted, to the number of about 25,000. These when arranged will afford rare facilities for the further study of Northwestern, and especially Detroit, history.